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For: INTEGRATED SUPPORT,  
INTEGRATED MINUTE VESSELS  
AND PERMEABLE MEMBRANE,  
AND METHOD OF MAKING AND  
USING SAME

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In response to the Office Action mailed March 12, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 1, before the Background of the Invention, please insert:

**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION**

This application claims the benefit of the filing date of U.S. provisional patent application serial number 60/188,978 filed on March 13, 2000, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.